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Re: United States Patent Application
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 7, 2005, for which a response is due on January 9, 2006 with a one-month extension of time (January 7, 2006 being a Saturday), please amend the above-identified application as follows: